

## **Minutes of the Bloomington Township Board**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on January 3, 2017, at 2111 W. Fountain Drive.

Board members present were Barbara McKinney, Vic Kelson, and Kim Alexander. Also present were Trustee Lillian Henegar, Fire Chief Joel Bomgardner, and Deputy Trustee Lisa Myers.

### **BOARD ORGANIZATION**

Barbara nominated Vic as board president for 2017. Kim seconded the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously. Barbara nominated Kim as board secretary for 2017. Vic seconded the nomination. The nomination passed unanimously.

Barbara moved, and Kim seconded, to elect Vic and Kim as board of finance officers for 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Barbara moved, and Kim seconded, to keep Board meeting minutes at the Township Office rather than make the board president responsible for them. Motion passed unanimously.

Kim moved, and Vic seconded to elect Barbara as the internal oversight officer for 2017. The nomination passed unanimously.

### **AGENDA**

Barbara moved to accept the agenda as presented. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Barbara moved to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2016, board meeting as presented. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS - None**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Conflict of Interest Statements:** Kim moved and Vic seconded to accept the conflict of interest statements from Barbara McKinney and Joel Bomgardner. Motion passed with Barbara abstaining. Barbara and Joel signed the conflict of interest statements.

**Review Township Investment Summary:** Lisa explained the handout regarding the cash and investments of the Township. Currently, the Township has no investments and maintains three (3) accounts at two (2) local banks. Interest rates are still low but have improved over the last few years. The interest from German American was slightly higher in 2016 than previous years due to the loan proceeds being held in the savings account until the new tanker was completed and the final invoice paid.

**Selection of Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Board Representative:** Barbara nominates Vic to serve as the Bloomington Township Board representative for the Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Territory. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

**Selection of Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Community Representative:** Barbara nominates Geoff McKim, upon his acceptance, to serve as the Bloomington Township community representative for the Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Territory. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

**Dormant Fund Transfer:** Lillian explained the need to transfer the existing cash balances from the Fire and EMS Funds into the new Special Fire Protection Territory General Fund. Kim moved to approve the Dormant Fund Transfer Resolution. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously. Lillian noted it was also necessary to transfer the existing cash balance from the Fire Cumulative Fund into the new Special Fire Protection Territory Equipment Replacement Fund. Barbara moved to approve the Dormant Fund Transfer Resolution. Kim seconded, motion passed unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **REPORTS**

**Fire Territory Executive Committee:** Joel reported that Jim Murphy of Cook Group has requested a meeting with Mike Baker. Date of meeting is to be determined.

Mike Baker has been invited to join the Transition Team, and will be working on acquiring donations to equip the new Washington Township station.

The retirement party for Faron Livingston has been rescheduled to Sunday, January 22, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Community Building at the Monroe County Fairgrounds.

**Trustee:** Lillian reported the Township was able to distribute \$24,500 in community grants in 2016.

Lillian discussed the issues that Attorney Darla Brown is currently working on for the Township. Those include reviewing the employee manual updates, having Dearmin Cemetery added as a parcel to the County maps, ongoing personnel issues, the brief for the Township Assistance appeal, and the automatic aid agreement. Darla has been working on the Township Assistance appeal as a pro bono case, and is billing us for half of her actual work time.

The plumbing repairs were completed at Rosie's Place and the invoice was paid from the 2016 budget. It was discovered during the last preventive maintenance visit that the furnace at Rosie's Place had a hole in the heat exchanger. The cost to repair was \$1100 and the cost to replace the furnace was \$1800. Since the furnace was 19 years old, it was decided a new furnace would be the best option. The furnace was replaced and the invoice was paid from the 2016 budget.

Rosie's Place is currently unoccupied but will be available after some minor repairs are completed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017.

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Kim Alexander, Secretary